Subject No. 364.

Formation of Committees for the management of Matts.

Mr. Madappa of Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that several Matts under the Muzrai Department may be directed to form a Committee for the management of the affairs of the respective Matts, and if this is not practicable the Muzrai Secretary may himself and in case the Matt is an institution attached to the Palace, the Palace Controller, may form such Committee.

Reply of Government.—Government is proceeding in the same direction.

Subject No. 365.

Management of chattrams.

Mr. Balawant Rao of Arsikere Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The attendance register is not kept regularly. Though the institutions are closed on account of plague the usual sanctioned amount is regularly drawn and shown as expended. Better check may be exercised.

Reply of Government.—No orders can be passed on a vogue representation like this. Wherever irregularities are observed, they may be brought to the notice of the local authorities.

Subject No. 366.

Maintenance of chattrams built by private persons.

Mr. Nadig Sivappa, Sorab Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—People build chattrams when in well-to-do circumstances. These are not repaired at the cost of Government. In course of time therefore, the owners of the chattrams finding themselves unable to repair the same allow them to fall down, thereby rendering them of no use for the travelling public. Sometimes petty shops are allowed to be kept in these buildings, from the rents realized therefrom the cost of the annual repairs is met. These shops are taxed either by the Municipality or by the Government. Consequently there will be no money available for repairing the chattrams which will fall down in course of time. The cost of cleaning the latrines attached to these buildings should be borne by the municipalities and not by the owners thereof. It is therefore requested that these two points may be taken into consideration and the shop tax ordered to be remitted.

Reply of Government.—Nothing can be done on a vague representation. Mr. Annaiya Pandit refers to Chowdaiya's chattrams at Paschamavahini. The matter will be enquired into.

Subject No. 367.

Interest on private endowments for charities.

Mr. B. G. Garudachar.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that the order about granting 5 per cent interest on private endowments for charities may be revived.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

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